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committee amendments.

SENATOR BAKER: Thank you, Mr. Speaker, and I said I'm going to ask the body to vote down the committee amendments. It's not the first time it's ever been done, but we simply have changed too many statutes that the committee amendment refers to last session. And in order to just harmonize things and proceed in a more timely manner, we need to vote down the committee amendments and then I will go ahead and introduce the amendment, which has been filed, and that would become the bill. So I would ask the body to please vote down the committee amendments for that reason.

SPEAKER BROMM: Thank you, Senator Baker. Seeing no persons wishing to speak on the committee amendments, we will proceed to vote and the question before us is the adoption of the committee amendments to LB 532. Please record.

ASSISTANT CLERK: 0 ayes, 26 nays on the adoption of committee amendments, Mr. President.

SPEAKER BROMM: The committee amendments are not adopted. Next item, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Baker would move to amend with AM2186. (Legislative Journal page 272.)

SPEAKER BROMM: Senator Baker, to open on AM2186.

SENATOR BAKER: Thank you, Mr. Speaker and members. Appreciate the cooperation. It's not often I ask you to vote red on something that way, but the amendment, AM2186, now becomes the bill. As I said in my opening, the purpose of this bill is to try and rectify some problems they've had with people operating businesses, carrier for hire businesses, that have not had the perfect background history, I guess, and what they're trying to do is to clarify that and, obviously, put forth a number of stipulations that people have to adhere to in order to obtain a license. The bill would prohibit the employment of an individual to transport passengers on behalf of a regulated motor carrier if the individual has been convicted of a felony.